

**REMARKS**

Claims 23-106 are pending in the application.

Claims 23-106 stood rejected in the preceding Office Action.

Claims 23-28, 30, 32-34, 37, 42, 44-45, 47, 60, 65, 67-68, 70, 83, 88, 90-91 and 97 have been amended. No new matter is added thereby.

Claim 107 has been added.

**Formal Matters**

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments and identifiers presented herein correct the deficiencies cited in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 7, 2006. No new matter is added thereby.

**CONCLUSION**

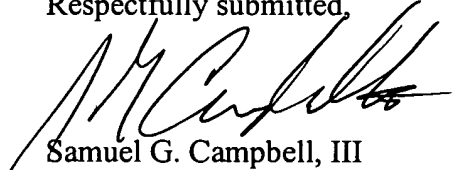
In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 512-439-5084.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on October 10, 2006.

  
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